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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: Adam L. Henderson
Naoya KANEDA)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2615
Application No.: 10/000,084)	
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Filed: December 4, 2001)	
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For: OPTICAL APPARATUS INCLUDING)	November 15, 2005
IMAGE PICK-UP DEVICE AND	:	
INTERCHANGEABLE LENS WITH)	
CONTROLLER FOR CONTROLLING	:	
CHANGE OF APERTURE (As Amended))	

Mail Stop Issue Fee
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

Applicant is in receipt of a Notice of Allowance dated October 31, 2005, in the above-referenced application. The Issue Fee is due on or before January 31, 2006, and is being paid concurrently herewith.

Applicant respectfully traverses the Reasons for Allowance set forth in the October 31, 2005 Notice of Allowability on the grounds that while the Reasons state:

- (a) “There is no disclosure of the data from the camera setting a minimum aperture diameter or that the data from the camera sets a preset mode from a plurality of modes”;
- (b) “Parulski et al. fail to disclose that the controller sets a minimum aperture diameter and that information regarding the form of the image pickup device includes one of the information concerning pixel pitch, number of pixels, or an aperture value”; and
- (c) “No prior art discloses or makes obvious the combination taught in the current application where the data from the camera sets a minimum aperture diameter and sets a preset mode of operation from a plurality of operation modes”,

Claim 20 instead recites, inter alia, “wherein said controller changes a set value of said light quantity adjustment unit for a minimum aperture diameter of the aperture diameter in accordance with the information concerning the form of the image pickup device of the image pickup apparatus that is obtained by the transmission when the information concerning the image pickup mode obtained by the transmission represents a preset image pickup mode out of the plurality of image pickup modes”.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C., office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should be directed to our address below.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Daniel S. Glueck". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

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